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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE AT PUDUCHERRY

ORDER

(Under Section 144 of Cr.P.C.)

Whereas, the Election Commission of India, in view of the General Elections to Puducherry Legislative Assembly 2021, has issued various instructions *vide* Standard Operating Procedures for last 48 hours, to restrict the assembly/movement of people by invoking the provisions of section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973. The Polling for the said Election is scheduled on 06-04-2021;

And whereas, the campaign for General Elections is prohibited before 48 hours of closing of the poll day *i.e.*, from 7.00 p.m. on 04-04-2021. However, the law does not Prohibit the door-to-door campaigning during the period of 48 hours;

And whereas, Bike Rallies are not allowed at any place 72 hours before date of Poll in all Poll going constituencies;

Now, therefore, for smooth conduct of Elections in a free and fair manner, and in strict enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct, I, Purva Garg, I.A.S., District Magistrate, Puducherry, hereby invoke the provisions of section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 and prohibit the unlawful assembly and movement, holding of public meetings, carrying of weapons, sticks, banners, placards, *etc.*, by any person and also prohibit the shouting of slogans and using of Loud Speakers and acting in any manner detrimental to public peace and tranquility in entire Puducherry District from 7.00 p.m. of 04-04-2021 to 7.00 a.m. of 07-04-2021. Further, Bike Rallies are prohibited from 7.00 p.m. of 03-04-2021 to 7.00 a.m. of 07-04-2021.

Any violation of this order is punishable by legal action under section 188 of IPC and other relevant provisions by law.

This order does not apply to purely religious functions, marriages, funerals and inside the Polling Booths Premises for voting purpose.

The emergent nature of case and circumstances do not permit serving of notice to the concerned in due time and hence, this order is passed *ex parte* under section 144 (2) of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973.

At Puducherry, dated this 22nd day of March 2021.

PURVA GARG, I.A.S.,
District Magistrate.
